RICHMOND, VA., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1910.

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are stocked with many suggestions

## LOWEST BIDDER

Councilmen Hear From Man Who Lost Wharf Contract.

### CLAIMS THAT HE DESERVES AWARD

Engineer Walthers Resents Method by Which Committee Barred Advance Suggestions and Then Slashed Plans. Some Talk of Investigation to Get at Facts.

By Direction of the Council.

Members of the Committee on James
River Improvement, made up of representatives of both branches of the
City Council and of the Chamber of
Commerce, state that the question of
the ability or lack of ability of the City City Council and of the Chamber of Commerce, state that the question of the ability or lack of ability of the City Engineer and his assistants did not enter into the matter, that the Council, by resolution, instructed the committee of advertise for plans, specifications and bids, and to select that design thought to be best suited to the city's need and award a contract subject to approval by the Council—a method which has become general in large construction work where special designs are has become general in large construction work where special designs are desired. It was the plan adopted in building the second and successful setting basin flume, and it is the plan under which the city is now calling for proposals for creeting a new free bridge. The only objection heretofort cash est of designs, making a general cach set of designs, making a general Talsed is that there is but one bid on each set of designs, making a general competition between engineers in designing, but no competition in building the actual design selected.

In his letter addressed to "Members of the Council," Mr. Walther states that before he started on his plane to the council, "Mr. Walther states that purpose the council," Mr. Walther states that purpose to his home in the council, "Mr. Walther states that purpose to his home in the council," Mr. Walther states that purpose the directors, acting as trustees, stipulates that no amendment dilion to the by-lows of the coast is pretty well guarded by gunded by guarded by gunded by guarded by gunded by guarded by gunded by gu

Had No Instructions.

In his letter addressed to "Members of the Council," Mr. Waither states that before he started on his plans he requested the engineer's office to give himsome idea of the local requirements for the wharf, but was informed that he must design and propose as he saw fit and that he was therefore very much surprised when, after the bids had been opened and made public the City to spend the might, and stated that he would not be board the Hornet until the salling hour to-morrow. Repairs to the machinery made necessary the delay in salling.

Jesus Ulloa, Honduran consul at this port, to-night notflied the Honduran minister at Washington that the Hornet sailing hour expedition "looks strongly revolutionary, and the vessel is undoubtedly being fitted out for a revolutionary was also as a should be accepted."

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quirements, and that no other plans should be accepted." should be accepted."

He says that he only learned of these requirements after the bidding, and that, in ignorance of the City Engineer's ideas on the subject, he prepared plaus for a wharf somewhat similar to the construction of Young's Pler, at Atlantic City a pile construction wherf tle City, a pile construction wharf, rather than a bulkhead, his price being \$17.163, much the lowest bid and the only one within the appropriation. He

only one within the appropriation. He says that his plans were simply rejected as "not in accordance with what the city wants."

He goes into an elaborate discussion of techincal points of difference, emphasizing that his design did not require a back fill and that in case of freshet the sand fill in the plans adopted might be we shed away.

ed might be washed away

May Come Up To-Night. bers to whom such a letter has been addressed, whether the Committee or addressed, whether the Committee on James River Improvement should be called to look into the charges or whether they had best be handled by the Council or by the Finance Committee, before which the dock proposition is now pending. It may be that in the argument before the Finance Committee to-night for an additional appropriation to creet the wharf proposed by the Raymond Concrete Pile Company, and recommended by the Committee on Improvement of the James River, a sufficient answer will be given to Mr. Walther's statements to obviate the need of further and more formal in-Walther's statements to obviate the need of further and more formal inquiry. In recommending the Raymond design the committee was frank enough to say that it was only third choice; that a better wharf, proposed by H. M. Allport & Son, of Richmond, had been offered, but cost more than twice as much and proposed a massive (Continued on Sixth Page)

# ENTERS PROTEST STILL IS UNKNOWN TO LEADER SHIP TRAVELING BILLS?

Bound on Revolutionary Errand.

### SHE CLEARS FOR CAPE GRACIAS

State Department Takes No Excommunicated New York Rainey, of Illinois, Fathers Move-Steps to Prevent Departure, and Denial Is Made of Intent to Assist in Overthrow of Government of

Honduras.

proper time.

Like letter to Councilmen, which is not whement, the disappointed contestant charges partiality on the part of the City Engineer in passing on the designs. A paragraph from his letter reads:

"As I understand the situation, the engineers were not thought to be competent to produce a satisfactory design of their own. Now it seems absurd that this very engineer or engineers were not thought to be considered to produce a satisfactory design of their own. Now it seems absurd that this very engineer or engineers should pass on the merits of other devices.

Let this afternoon two unknown considered the Hornet and remained several hours, waiting for Captain Johnson. They finally designed without having seen him.

## Not Officially Advised.

vent the Hornet sailing.

"From personal observations and

"From personal observations and from reports of my agents, I believe the Hornet is being fitted for no other purpose than to open hostilities on Honduras," said Consul Ulloa to-night.

## THINGS ARE HAPPENING

White House Enlivened by Return of Charley Taft.
Washington, D. C., December 19.—Charley Taft, the President's youngest son, is home for the holidays, and things have begun to happen around the White House, Incidentally, Charley is wearing his first pair of long trousers.

s. To-day Charley rummaged through e attle at the executive offices and To-day Charley rummaged through the attic at the executive offices and the across a model of an aeropiane which had been sent to the President. The model is perfect in every detail with the exception of the engine, which is a "dummy." Charley thinks the scroplane will glide if its gets a good start, and he probably will give it a trial from the White House roof. Charley also took a turn at the White House telephone switchboard and actical as chief operator for an hour or more.

"She has no aspirations to succeed to the temporal or spiritual power that was Mrs. Eddy's. It is lêy belief that by their works people shall be judged. By their works the board of directors in Boston will prove their fluxes to rule or otherwise. Mrs. Stetson believes that she is not called upon to 'intervene in the final judgment of their works."

Since her excommunication from the Mother Church in November 1993 Mrs.

## RACES SEGREGATED

Haltimore's Whites and Blacks Must Remain Apart.

Baltimore, Md., December 19.—
Henceforth no white person may move into a block in Baltimore where the majority of the residents of that block are negroes, nor may a negro move into a block where the majority of the residents mer white. This is the mandate Isla-down in the so-called E. H. West pace segregation ordinance, which was signed by Mayor Mahool to-day, At is expected that the act will be taken to the courts to test its

# HORNET'S MISSION WOULD SUCCEED WHO FOOTED THOSE

Fill Place Left Vacant by Mrs Eddy.

## MOTHER CHURCH HEARS HER PLAN

Leader Said to Be Making. Systematic Campaign for Highest Place in Christian Science Church-Her Friends Deny It.

Vehement protest against the action of the Committee on Improvement of the James River in awarding the contract for erection of the proposed new city wharf to the Raymond Concret Price Company has been filed by Charies F. Walters, an engineer and contract or competent plans, and as the contract on competent plans, and as the contract on competent plans, and as the lookest bidder, within the appropriation of \$19,000.

As the design to which the committee agave the award on recommendation of a subcommittee and City Engineer of Billing exceeded the available appropriation, the papers were reterred by priation, the papers were reterred by priation, the papers were reterred by the Council to the Committee on Finance, which meets to-night, when the matter may be taken up.

So far no member of the Council has indicated what action, if any, he witake, but in view of the charges filed by the Pittisburg engineer, may be taken up.

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Committee on James River, had received copies of Mr. Walthers circular last night. The revenue cutter Davy was lashed ting said he had heard that the contractor was not satisfied with the Hornet's side all morning, and a three tractor was not satisfied with the area to give his reasons for recommending the plan adopted by the committee at the proper time.

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The revenue cutter Davy was lashed the better calculated to expound the higher thoughts of "Science and Health" than a primary scholar would be to act as a tutor in logarithms. The directors represent only the material woyage," with guarantee of first-class return passage to New Orleans or return passage to New Orleans or following whereas she has never been following whereas she has never been reprimanded personally by Mrs. for her interpretation of the doctrines of Christian Science, and must there-fore believe that she, rather than the directors, is better fitted to lead than

Can't Bar Thoughts.
The directors have heard that Mrs.
Stetson teaches her pupils to believe
that the excommunication which was passed upon her by the board last November cannot and does not bar her from Christian Science, inasmuch as the directors have no power to debar her from the pursuit of her own religious thoughts. It has also been reported to the heads of the church that within the last few days Mrs. Stetson has made preparation to launch her claims to successorship publicly. gious thoughts. It has also been re-ported to the heads of the church that within the last few days Mrs. Stetson has made preparation to launch her claims to successorship publicly. If Mrs. Stetson should bring court

Has Not Heard of It, [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, December 19.—Eugene R Cox. chairman of the Christian Science

communication last year,
A close friend of the former leader First Church, who spoke for

of the First Church, who spoke for her, said to-night:
"Mrs. Stetson will be the first publicly to deny that she harbors any such intention as that credited to her by the five directors of the Mother Church. She believes that God is the great judge and lawgiver and that are the controls the head of directors and controls the board of directors and herself alike and all who follow in the footsteps of our greaf and belove

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Mother Church in November, 1909, Mrs, Stetson has issued repeated denials of statements attributing to her dis-loyalty to Mrs. Eddy and the design to In a published statement she said that she wished "again to declare my unswerving allegiance to the great leader of Christian Science, Mrs. Eddy my unfaltering adherence to her teachings as set forth in our textbook,

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Vessel Believel to Be Mrs. Stetson Aspires to Congress May Ask QuestionsAboutRoosevelt's Railroad Expenses.

## RESOLUTION INTRODUCED

ment to Find Out if Ex-President Paid Pennsylvania and Other Railroads for Transportation Furnished

Washington, D. C., December 19 .-- A congressional investigation of Theodore Roosevelt's railroad transportabelieve that Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, the excommunicated leader of the First Church in New York, is to be the first to test her power as spiritual and emporal leader of the Christian Science church. This belief is backed, so it is learned, with tangible evidence of the members be selected, in such frebellious activities on the part of tion expenses while he was President so it is learned, with tangible evidence of rebellious activity on the part of Mrs. Stetson, which is in the hands of the Mother Church directorate.

The five members of the board know that Mrs. Stetson numbers her following in New York and outside that city oetween 300 and 400, and that she has established a publicity bureau in New York through which recently she has sirculated letters and literature designed to prove that she is the spiri-

The committee would report as to the amount of transportation Mr. Roosevelt, its value, and whether any portion of it was puld, and when The committee is to make the same in-

### Verdict Not Unanimous.

Chattanooga, Tenn., December 19.— United States Senator James B. Frazier arrived here to-day from askington to spend the holidays. He was a member of the subcommittee of the Committee on Privileges and Elections of the Senate named to investigate the charges of bribery in connection with election of Senator Lorimer, of

In an interview, Senator Frazier stated that he did not sign the report of the subcommittee exonerating Senator Lorimer. He said that the subcommittee, composed of Senators Burrows Gamble Heyburn, Bulkeiey, Frazier, Paynter and Johnson, held saveral meetings and heard proof in the case, and the finat meeting was held Saturday.

"I was not present at this meeting."

gave it to my secretary with instruc-tions to hand it to the chairman of the subcommittee, and I have no doubt

"I stated in the report I filed that in my judgment, the evidence established for Lorimer which were corrupted or tainted. Eliminating those seven votes

would reduce Lorimer's vote below the number needed for his election, he having received only six more votes than were necessary to elect, "I certainly did not sign the report of the subcommittee. In fact, I was not in Washington when the subcom-mittee held its final meeting to act upon the matter. upon the matter.
"Was your statement a minority re-

was asked Well, it could hardly be called a

"Well, it could hardly be called a minority report.

"You see, all the proceedings so far have been in the nature of an executive proceeding. The subcommittee made its full report to the full Committee on Privileges and Elections, and that committee will make its report to the Senate. While my statement was in the nature of a minority report to

in the nature of a minority report to the subcommittee majority report, it presented my views and conclusions. "I do not know that the other mem-bers submitted their views, but they, of course, had this privilege. I do not know that the subcommittee report was signed by any one."

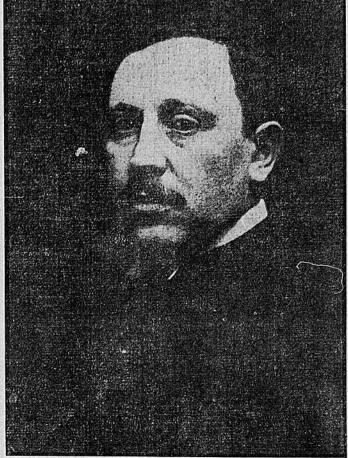
Sherman Overruled.
Washington, December 19.—By a vote of 37 to 17, the Senate to-day again emphatically announced its deermination to resist all efforts to al quorum. The point was raised ove the approval of the journal of Satur

taken on an appeal taken by Senator Hale from a decision by the chair similar to that of Saturday. All of the seventeen votes in favor of sustaining the chair were cast by Republicans, Of the thirty-seven votes against the chair twenty were cast by Republicans and seventeen by Democrats.

During the roll call the point was made by Mr. Heyburn that only by unanimous consent could a Senator be

(Continued on Eleventh Page.) BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCKES

## ONE OF TAFT'S APPOINTEES



Judge Julian E. Mack, of Chicago, a Democrat, recently appointed a me ber of the New Commerce Court by President Taft.

Reduced by More Than 200.

and No Free Lunches Served.

Suffolk, Va., December 19.-The

"Drys" won to-day's local option fight by a majority of 55 in a total vote of 747, the largest ever cast here in any

far as possible. The "Drys" had numbers of speakers from a distance, including Richmond P. Hobson, Seaborn Wright, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Beamon and Secretary Richaruson, of the Anti-Saloon League. The "Weis" had no public addresses, relying for victory upon quiet and systematic work. Both forces used liberally of newspaper adforces used liberally of newspaper ad-

to-day, Some of those whose fran-chise right was questioned voted later, but others were parred for the day. The "Wets" carried only one of the four wards, the second, by thirty ma-jority. They lost the first by two votes, the third by forty-two, and the fourth by forty-one. All but 118 quali-fied voters in the city were gotten to the polls, two-thirds of them before

noon.

Though the "Wets" are disappointed they emphasize the fact that they have made gains of over 200 since two years ago, when the "Drys" majority was 257. There was an absence of free

257. There was an absence of free lunches about the polls, and women were not so active as two years ago.

Congratulations From Hobson, Richmond Pearson Hobson, who perhaps contributed as much or more to the dry victory as any outside orator, to-night was notified of the result, and asked for brief comment. He had left asked for brief comment. He had left his Washington residence for Tuxedo

his Washington residence for Tuxedo Park, N. Y. At a late hour the reply was received under date line of Germantown, Pennsylvania, as follows: "To Percy L. Pruden, Suffolk, Va.: "Accept my hearty congratulations on tidings of victory. It is a tribute to the high character and particitism of the people of Suffolk, and will carry courage to the hearts of Virginians in other cities. May Suffolk remain dry. nd hold a position in the front ranks until at least the whole of the Old Dominion is relieved from the thral-

## HER RUSE IS FATAL

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Man Drinks Acid With Which Finnese Thought to Seare Him.

Philadelphia, December 19.—Snatching a goblet of carbolic acid from the hands of his fiancee as she stood threatening suicide as the result of a quarrel, Charles Morback, thirty years old, drank the contents himself and died a few minutes later, according to the police who investigated his death. Mary A. Kalck, the fiance, and only witness of the happening, says she did not see the man drink the acid, and doubted that he did. Miss Kalck, suffering with acid burns on face. hands and arms, refused to believe that the man she was to have married is dead. She sobbingly insisted that he was engaged in a grim make-believe in answer to what she said was her mock threat of suicide. Miss Kalck says she had no intention of swallowing the acid when she made her threat of suicide.

"I thought it would give him a shock that would stop the continual quarreling that has made our engagermant unhanny," she said.

Majority of Two Years Ago New Chief Justice Is Sworn

## NUMBERS OF CHALLENGES USES HISTORIC BIBLE

Women Not So Active at Polls, First Time Nation Has Seen

747; the largest ever cast here in any contest. The figures were 398 against license, 343 for license, and six void ballots. The announcement of the result was followed by the proionged shricking of mill whistles, the clanging of bells, and tremendous shouts among the partisan victors.

The contest as a whole was conducted without serious feeling. Both sides sought to avoid bitterness as far as possible. The "Drys" had numbers of speakers from a distance, including Richmond P. Hobson, Seaborn Wright, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Beamon and oath, held in his hand a bible which has been used by nearly every clief justice and associate justice on similar occasions during the last century, but, unlike most of them, he kissed the book at the conclusion or the path.

For the first time in history an associate justice had been civated to the clief justiceship and for the first time a President and Senate of one politice.

Traffic on the New York Central Railway ceased entirely for some hours and was disorganized for the remainder of the dny, but the new station therefore the construction, was not damaged.

The injured include laborers and the employees of the railroad, pedesting the control of the construction, was not damaged.

chilef justiceship and for the first time a President and Senate of one politice's party had honored a member of a party had honored a member of a there in the party by placing him at the head of the highest court in the land.

Because of the overwhelming modesty of Chief Justice White, ome cials of the court were uncertain as to the exact details of the ceremony of the day until they had actually occurred. In a general way, the broad customs attending the induction into office of the head of the court were followed.

No Cheering Thousands.

Unlike the inauguration of a President as the head of the co-ordinate branch of the government, the industion into office of a chief justice of the United States has always been a comparatively unostentiations occasion. Instead of an escort from the Capital to the White House, emposed of gative attired civic organizations and seasoned millitary commends, a new chief justice has enly his black-robed brether on the bench in procession from the robing-room to the courter of a mew chief justice is announced by of a new chief justice is announced by of a new chief justice is announced by the boushness, the advance to power of a new chief justice is announced by the chief justice is announced by the loud huzzas or cheering the induction in the parameter.

The injured include laborers and others in the injured include laborers and others in the remiproves of the railroad, pedestrians, bystanders and others in the remiproves of the railroad, pedestrians, bystanders and others in the remiproves of the automation into an automobile running gauratee car carrying seven passengers was lifted from its tracks and hurled into an automobile running gauratee car carrying seven passengers was lifted from its tracks and hurled into an automobile running gauratee car carrying seven passengers was lifted from its tracks and hurled into an automobile running gauratee car carrying seven passengers was lifted from its tracks and hurled into an automobile running gauratee car carrying seven passenge ing thousands, the advance to power of a new chief justice is announced by of the court crier; instead of an in-augural address, outlining his potteres, the only utterance of a new enter justice is the solemn words of his oath

Justice is the solemn word; of his oath of office.

The dignity resting in the customs founded on the swearing into office of John Jay, John Hutledge, Oliver Filsworth and John Marshall, and perfected and John Marshall, and perfected and John Marshall.

mental reservation or purpose it evaluates from which the tanks of the massion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office.

By the restimony of the motorman (Continued on Sixth Page.)

## GAS EXPLOSION SHAKES HEART OF MANHATTAN

Ten People Meet Death and 125 Are Injured.

## PROPERTY LOSS MAY BE \$3,000,000

Without Warning, Roof of Grand Central Power House Is Lifted Into Air Like Magic Carpet, Scattering Death and Destruction in Crowded Streets.

OFFICIAL LIST OF DEAD. E. B. Livermore, New York Cen-tral inspector of Pullman cars. Mary B. Pope. C. McMarrow. Pattlek Jordan, track foreman. Thomas Stagg, watchman at

power house. John Ryan, clerk. William Poetschke, Corona, L. I. Edith Offiner, stenographer, Charles Roberts, clerk in Adams Express Company.
Guthler Johnson.

New York, December 19.—The ter-rific explosion of illuminating gas in the auxiliary power-house at the Grand Central Station, which tore at trand Central Station, which fore at the heart and sent a tremor slong the entire backbone of Manhattan this moraling, caused the death of ten per-sons, two of them women, the injury of 125 others and property damage estimated to-night at from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

The fire broke out in the shuttered

New Chief Justice Is Sworn
In by Justice
Harlan.

USES HISTORIC BIBLE

First Time Nation Has Seen
Associate Justice So
Honored

Washington, December 19—in the presence of a distinguished gatnering in the little court-room, Edward Douglass White was to-day elevated from associated justice in the Supreme Court of the United States to the conict justiceship.

The climax of the ceremonies occurred when Associate Justice Harian, as senior member of the court, ad- sa senior member of the court ad- sa senior mem

Street and Madison Avenue fully half a mile from the scene of the catas-trophe suffered. Valuable stained glass windows, valued at \$10,000, were smashed.

Albert Sengroutt, the engineer of the motor car which broke the pipe line, was released on parole to-night at the instance of District Attorney Whitman.

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The full amount of the property damaged may exceed the rough and conservative estimate of \$500,000. The loss to the New York Central dailroad Company includes the physical damage done to the power house, which was utterly wrecked; the delay to construction work, and the damage done to cars standing near the power house. The loss to shop keepers and property owners in the vicinity will spread over a wide range of items. Christmas dis-

founded on the swearing into office of John Jay, John Hutledge, Oliver Filstworth and John Marshall, and perfected in the days of Roger B. Taney, Salmon P. Chase, Morrison R. Walte and Melville W. Fuller, was not materially disturbed to day by Tadical innovations.

The ceremonies of elevating an associate justice of the court into the chief justiceship of the nation began in the secret confines of the court into the chief justiceship of the nation began in the secret confines of the court's robing-room. It is here that it will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true failts and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose et evaluation.

and that of John J. Quinn, a brick-

to-day. At is expected that the act will be taken to the courts to test its constitutionality.